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President Kupchella asks U community to complete survey

Dear UND students, alumni, faculty, and staff:

The University of North Dakota has undertaken an important process to clarify its position in the marketplace both externally and internally. This process is focused on our academic brand, and does not directly address our athletic brand. This "branding" exercise will be useful to us in many ways, not the least of which will be in designing recruitment strategies for faculty, staff, and students. We also hope to encourage community and personal involvement, and financial support for UND academic and research programs. This process will help ensure that various audiences immediately understand what we stand for, what we offer, and why they should associate themselves with us.

The first step will be to capture a compelling messaging platform for UND in preparation for a University marketing program. In effect, we need to define what makes us unique and compelling. This step is critical, and we need your help to make it successful.

We are seeking input from as many faculty, staff, students, and alumni as possible. Consultants from Educational Marketing Group (EMG) - the company facilitating our efforts - have been and will be on campus interviewing many faculty, students, staff, and alumni personally. We want to augment those interviews with contributions from the entire UND community through online input from as many stakeholders as possible.

I encourage you to participate in the positioning process by going to <http://www.emgclient.com/input/und/> to give us your candid and confidential responses. Please complete the five questions at <http://www.emgclient.com/input/und/> no later than Friday, Nov. 17. (Please note that the URL is case sensitive.) It should take five minutes or less of your time.

Your comments will be compiled and synthesized by EMG. They will provide a foundation upon which we will fashion that unique and compelling University identity I spoke of above.

Over the coming months, the UND community will continue to work with EMG to develop our positioning platform. Once this platform is developed, everyone will be involved in ensuring that the University actually matches and realizes this identity in every aspect of its operations.

Again, I urge you to participate by going to <http://www.emgclient.com/input/und/> no later than Friday, Nov. 17, and plan for increased involvement as the positioning process gets under way. Thank you in advance for your participation. If you have any questions about this process, please contact Don Kojich, executive associate vice president for University Relations, at 777-2731.

Sincerely,

Dr. Charles E. Kupchella

President

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EVENTS TO NOTE

Faculty lecture today focuses on dopamine transporters

Roxanne Vaughan will unravel the secrets of the dopamine transporter and its effect on the human brain and stimulants like cocaine when she delivers the next installment of the University Faculty Lecture Series.

"Dopamine Transporters: What's Regulating the Regulator?" is scheduled for Tuesday, Nov. 7, at 4:30 p.m. in the North Dakota Museum of Art. A 4 p.m. reception will precede the lecture, which is free and open to the public.

"The dopamine transporter (DAT) is a protein known as the 'regulator' because it controls the availability of dopamine in the brain for neurotransmission, which in turn affects many processes including motor activity, emotion, and reward," said Vaughan, an associate professor in the UND Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology. "DAT is subject to multiple types of complex regulatory events and dysfunctions in these processes may lead to psychiatric or mood disorders."

A common example of dysfunctions in DAT processes occurs when individuals consume psychostimulants such as cocaine and amphetamine. "These drugs block dopamine reuptake, producing elevated dopamine levels believed to underlie drug reinforcement," Vaughan said. "Cocaine binds to DAT and inhibits its activity, which means that dopamine clearance is blocked and the dopamine builds up in the synaptic space between nerve cells. This buildup of dopamine overstimulates the downstream neurons which is what causes the hyperactivity and euphoria associated with drug use."

"DAT is also associated with several diseases related to dopamine, including Parkinson's disease, depression, and schizophrenia," said Vaughan. "These disorders are characterized by abnormal dopamine levels, which could be caused by DAT working either too rapidly (producing low dopamine levels) or too slowly (leading to high dopamine levels). Identifying the processes that control DAT functions could lead to a better understanding of how these processes may be improperly regulated in disease."

Roxanne Vaughan is an associate professor in the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology. She was born in North Dakota and was raised in Colorado. She received the bachelor's degree in biology from Colorado State University, a master's degree in zoology from the University of California at Davis, and her doctorate in zoology from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. She was a postdoctoral fellow in the laboratory of Peter Devreotes in the Department of Biological Chemistry at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, followed by appointment as a Senior Staff Fellow at the National Institute on Drug Abuse in the laboratory of Michael J. Kuhar.

Vaughan's research interests include protein structure-function relationships and regulation of proteins by phosphorylation. Her early work involved studies of protein kinase A mechanisms and G protein coupled receptors in Dictyostelium discoideum, and her more recent work has focused on structure, regulation, and post-translational modifications of dopamine transporters. She has promoted the development and use of structurally diverse photoaffinity labels to identify transporter drug binding sites and characterize binding domain structure, and has analyzed dopamine transporter phosphorylation and regulation properties in both model and native systems under a variety of conditions related to endogenous control and drug-induced

adaptations.

Vaughan is married to Jefferson A. Vaughan, associate professor of biology at UND. They have two teenaged daughters.

The Faculty Lecture Series is planned by Chester Fritz Distinguished Professors, who hold UND's highest faculty honor, and is funded by the UND Office of the President.

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"My Life in Pink" film is Nov. 7

The Global Visions film series presents "My Life in Pink" (Ma Vie en Rose) at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 7, in the Memorial Union Lecture Bowl. This is a must see, and it is also important. Ludovic is waiting for a miracle. With seven-year-old certainty, he believes he was meant to be a little girl -- and that the mistake will soon be corrected. But where he expects the miraculous, Ludo finds only rejection, isolation and guilt -- as the intense reactions of family, friends, and neighbors strip away every innocent lace and bauble.

As suburban prejudices close around them, family loves and loyalties are tested in the ever-escalating dramatic turns of Alin Berliner's critically acclaimed first feature. Winner of the Golden Globe for Best Foreign Language Film and a favorite at festivals around the world, this unique film experience delivers magic of the rarest sort through a story of difference, rejection, and childlike faith in miracles.

The film is sponsored by the anthropology department and club. Admission is free.

-- Marcia Mikulak, Assistant Professor, Anthropology, marcia.mikulak@und.nodak.edu, 777-4718

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Mercury transit offers rare chance to view this elusive planet

Astrophysicist Timothy Young and colleagues will showcase a rare opportunity for a firsthand look at Mercury. On Wednesday, Nov. 8, Mercury will "transit," or cross, the Sun's disk from 1 p.m. through sunset, Central Time. Mercury transits the Sun only a dozen or so times per century; its next one won't come around until May 2016; the next November transit is in 2019.

There's a catch: you can only view the transit by looking right at the sun through special glasses. You can do just that this Wednesday on the south side of South Middle School (1999 47th Ave South, Grand Forks), where Young and colleague Ron Marsh, a UND computer scientist, will set up a free public transit observation site from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. Solar observation glasses will be available for a nominal cost.

If you can't come to the school, watch the Mercury transit live online at <http://www.sems.und.edu> and click on "view the Webcast" menu. If the weather doesn't cooperate, an alternate site for transit observation will be picked that has a clear view, so you'll still be able to catch the action at the web site referenced above. For more details about Wednesday's Mercury transit "party," contact Young directly at 777-4709 or at tim.young@und.edu.

"This November transit is an excellent, and relatively rare, opportunity to see Mercury, which orbits the Sun in just 88 days," says Young.

The transit observation team comprises experts and astronomy aficionados from UND physics, the Northern Sky Astronomical Society (aka the UND Astronomy Club), the Department of Teaching and Learning, SEMs (Sun-Earth-Moon system, a collaborative project between UND Physics and the UND John D. Odegard School of Aerospace Sciences' Department of Computer Science), the Grand Forks Park District, and Grand Forks Public

Schools.

Young and Marsh are well known for their pioneering and widely watched solar eclipse Webcasts (they did both 2006 eclipses), which you can see at <http://www.sems.und.edu> and click on "Past/future Webcasts." For more information, contact Tim Young (physics) at 777-4709 or tim.young@und.edu

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Doctoral examination set for Margaret Carlson

The final examination for Margaret Carlson, a candidate for the Ed.D. degree with a major in Teaching and Learning, is set for 10:30 a.m. Nov. 13, in Room 206, Education Building. The dissertation title is "The Lived Experiences of Two Teachers Working in a Comprehensive School Reform Model." Myrna Olson (Teaching and Learning) is the committee chair. The public is invited to attend.

-- Joseph Benoit, Dean, Graduate School, joseph.benoit@und.edu, 777-4005

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Susan Eckberg speaks on intuition development Nov. 13

Susan Eckberg, columnist for the High Plains Reader and DJ of "The Next Step" radio show, will speak about intuition development Monday, Nov. 13, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Wellness Center. Come celebrate spiritual wellness month by learning more about simple techniques and explanations for helping you understand how energy works, how to get in touch with it, and how to use it. She will cover working with your own energy, being able to sense it in others, and how to tune into your expanded energies through fun exercises and different teaching techniques.

-- Ellen Brekke, Student Programming Coordinator, Wellness Center, ellenbrekke@mail.und.edu, 777-2410

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Smoking cessation classes offered on campus

Do you want to quit smoking? Well, now's the time! UND is offering smoking cessation classes to the campus community. Class is free for NDPERS benefited employees and financial assistance may be available for those who qualify. Classes start Monday, Nov. 13, at 7:30 to 9:30 a.m.in the Wellness Center classroom, and will be held every Monday through Dec. 18. If you can't make it to this session, there will be another opportunity in February, so start preparing yourself now to get on the path to freedom!

Freedom From Smoking is a seven-week stop-smoking program developed by the American Lung Association. Professionally-trained instructor, Theresa Knox, will help each tobacco user to develop an individual plan for quitting.

In the sessions, emphasis will be on long-term freedom from tobacco. The ex-tobacco users will identify the pitfalls of relapse, and carefully plan to prevent it. The program includes the latest improved skills for good stress management, weight control, assertive communication and exercise -- skills needed to help them succeed.

The group approach teaches step-by-step methods to change behavior and quit smoking or chewing tobacco. The instructor focuses on positive thinking, alternative behaviors, one-on-one help, rewards and group support to help participants to quit.

Knox is a public health nurse with 14 years experience. She holds a bachelor's degree in nursing from UND and a master's in public health from the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities. She is the tobacco cessation coordinator at the Grand Forks Public Health Department, and has been trained in the American Lung Association's Freedom From Smoking Curriculum and at the Mayo Clinic Nicotine Dependence Center,

Rochester, Minn.

For more information or to sign up, contact Theresa Knox at (701) 787-8140 or 151 S. Fourth St, Ste N301, Grand Forks, ND 58201 or tknox@grandforksgov.com

-- Amanda Eickhoff, Coordinator of Wellness, Wellness Center, amandaeickhoff@mail.und.edu, 777-0210

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Theatre Arts commemorates Henrik Ibsen

Please join the Department of Theatre Arts for a commemoration of Norwegian playwright, Henrik Ibsen (1828-1906), Nov. 14-18 in the Burtness Laboratory Theatre.

* Wednesday, Nov. 15, 1 p.m., guest lecture by Penny Farfan (University of Calgary), "Ibsen and Gender: In His Prose Plays;" and her book, "Women, Modernism, and Performance," published by Cambridge University Press in 2004.

* Thursday, Nov. 16, 4 p.m., panel discussion, "Ibsen and his Legacy"

Dr. Farfan, guest scholar, "Textual Issues in A Doll's House"

Patti Alleva, law, "From A Doll's House To A Lawyer's Office: How Ibsen Can Assist Fledgling Lawyers"

Tom Lockney, law, "Criminal Law Issues in Ibsen's A Doll's House"

Janet Moen, peace studies/sociology, "Sociological Perspectives on Norway"

Faythe Thureen, languages, "Ibsen's Norsk and its Consequences"

Raymond Lagasse, international programs, "Ibsen's Internationalism"

Kathleen McLennan, theatre arts, "Production Issues in A Doll's House"

Panel moderator: Kimberly Porter, history chair.

Performances of "A Doll's House" Nov. 14-18 at 7:30 p.m. in the Burtness Lab theatre. Post-show discussions: (after the performance) Wednesday and Thursday, Nov. 15 and 16, led by Dr. Farfan.

Tickets may be reserved by calling the Burtness Box Office at 777-2587. Sponsored in part by the Nordic initiative.

-- Kathleen McLennan, Chair, Department of Theatre Arts, kathleen_mclennan@und.nodak.edu, 777-2871

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On Teaching lunch discussion focuses on undergraduate research

The next On Teaching box lunch discussion session is 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 15, Memorial Room, Memorial Union. We will hear four faculty members who have experience working with undergraduate research in their disciplines or programs. The panelists are Evguenii Kozliak (chemistry), Tom Petros (psychology), Sally Pyle (honors), and Lana Rakow (community engagement).

Discussion will focus on such questions as: Why do we want students to do undergraduate research? What are the challenges and rewards, both for students and for the faculty who mentor them? and What kinds of things do we need to think about when we set up UR programs.

Whether you are already involved in undergraduate research or just thinking about what you might do, we hope you'll come to this session to raise questions and share your own experience.

To register and reserve a free box lunch, call Jana Hollands at 777-4998 by 3 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 9.

-- Libby Rankin, Director, Office of Instructional Development, libby_rankin@und.nodak.edu, 777-4233

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Doctoral examination set for Matthew Pearcey

The final examination for Matthew Pearcey, a candidate for the Ph.D. degree with a major in Teaching and Learning, is set for 11 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 16, in Room 206, Education Building. The dissertation title is "The Experiences of Heterosexual Women Married to Gay or Bisexual Men." Myrna Olson (Teaching and Learning) is the committee chair. The public is invited to attend.

-- Joseph Benoit, Dean, Graduate School, joseph.benoit@und.edu, 7-4005

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Retired faculty meet Nov. 16

Ken Dawes, Chester Fritz Distinguished Professor and professor emeritus of social work, will lead a discussion on the University's upcoming 125th anniversary, at the Thursday, Nov. 16, meeting of retired faculty. The meeting is set for 7:30 a.m. in the Christus Rex Fireside Room. All retired faculty are welcome to participate. -- Lloyd Omdahl, professor emeritus, convener.

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Nominations/applications invited for faculty research award

Nominations/applications are invited for the UND Foundation Thomas J. Clifford Faculty Achievement Award for Excellence in Research. The winner of this award will receive a plaque and a check for \$2,000 at the Founders Day Banquet Feb. 22.

The following information should be provided:

- (1) A listing of publications of significant, original and high-quality research, scholarly, and creative contributions in nationally recognized professional journals that are refereed by peer reviewers and/or a listing of juried competitions and invited performances/exhibitions.
- (2) Overall scholarly activities, such as service as a reviewer of research proposals for federal agencies or other funding sources, service as a referee or editor for professional journals, and contributions to training students in research, scholarly, and creative endeavors;
- (3) Potential for significant contributions to enhancing the effectiveness of the subject matter taught in the classroom.

Faculty, staff and students may make nominations, and faculty are invited to nominate themselves. Since the committee will not engage in the gathering of documentation, each nomination or application must be accompanied by thorough evidence of the nominee's qualifications for the award. Nine copies of each nomination and supporting documentation should be received at Research Development and Compliance (RD&C) no later than Tuesday, Jan. 2.

The awardee will be selected by the same committee that selects the Fellows of the University Award for Departmental Excellence in Research recipient. This committee includes the associate vice president for research (chair), the chair of the Senate Scholarly Activities Committee, one faculty member from the Senate Scholarly Activities Committee, three faculty members from the University Research Council, the chair of the Faculty Research Seed Money Committee, and one member of the Faculty Research Seed Money Committee.

Since previous awardees are ineligible for nomination until five years have passed, M. Mann (2006), F. Richard Ferraro (2005), Manuchair Ebadi (2004), Jody Rada and Jay Meek (2003), and Joyce Coleman and Jeffrey Lang (2002) may not be nominated this year.

If further information is desired, please call Research Development and Compliance at 777-4278.
-- Barry I. Milavetz, Associate Vice President for Research, Research Development and Compliance,
barrymilavetz@mail.und.nodak.edu, 701/777-4278

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Nominations for faculty awards accepted through Nov. 17

The Outstanding Faculty Awards Committee is now accepting nominations for the following individual and departmental awards:

- * Outstanding undergraduate teaching (individual)
- * Outstanding graduate/professional teaching (individual)
- * Excellence in teaching, research/creative activity and service - the "Faculty Scholar Award" (individual)
- * Outstanding faculty development and service (individual)
- * Departmental excellence in teaching (department)
- * Departmental excellence in service (department)

Deadline for nominations is Nov. 17. To nominate online visit: www.und.edu/awards. Paper nomination forms are also available at various locations around campus. Criteria for all six awards are listed on the web site and the nomination forms.

Additional nomination forms are available from the instructional development, 12A Merrifield (call Jana Hollands at 777-4998).

-- Libby Rankin, Director, Office of Instructional Development, libby_rankin@und.nodak.edu, 777-4233

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University Curriculum Committee to hear program termination

The University Curriculum Committee will meet at 9 a.m. Friday, Nov. 17, 305 Twamley Hall, to discuss the proposed request to terminate the minor in technology education. All interested parties are invited to attend. -- Connie Borboa (admissions and records) for the University Curriculum Committee.

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ITSS lists holiday hours

Information Technology Systems and Services will close for the Veterans Day holiday at midnight Thursday, Nov. 9, and will reopen at 5 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 11. -- Craig Cerkowniak, associate director, ITSS.

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Veterans Day hours listed for law Library

Veterans Day weekend hours for the law Library are: Thursday, Nov. 9, 7:30 a.m. to 11 p.m.; Friday, Nov. 10 (Veterans Day), noon to 9 p.m.; Saturday, Nov. 11, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Sunday, Nov. 12, 10 a.m. to 11 p.m.
-- Jane Oakland, Circulation manager, Law Library, oakland@law.und.edu, 7-3482

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Insurance open enrollment ends Nov. 13

The annual open enrollment for health, life, dental and vision insurance ends Nov. 13. This is the time for employees to enroll in insurance plans they are not currently participating in, add dependents to their current coverage or increase coverage levels. You may obtain coverage, premium, enrollment information and forms from the NDPERS website at www.nd.gov/ndpers. Click on the "Annual Enrollment" icon or contact the Payroll Office, 312 Twamley Hall. Enrollment forms must be returned to the Payroll Office by 4:30 p.m. Nov. 13. No enrollment forms will be accepted after 4:30 p.m.

-- Payroll Office, Insurance, Payroll, vicki robertson@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-4226

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McAfee VirusScan releases update; install soon

A new update (patch 13) for McAfee VirusScan has been released. The new update should be downloaded and installed at your earliest convenience.

To check your version and patch number:

On the task bar (bottom right) you should see a shield with a red "V".

Right click the shield and choose About VirusScan Enterprise

This window will list the version number and also list the patch number towards the bottom of the window.

To install this patch you must be running VirusScan version 8.

If you have any patch version lower that 13 you should install the update.

To install the new update:

If you already have McAfee version 8 installed:

Use your web browser and go to: <ftp://134.129.130.131/mcafee/mcafee8p13s.exe>

Save the file to your Desktop.

When the file is done downloading go to the Desktop and double click on mcafee8p13s.exe this will start the install process.

Please click Run and Next until the installation is complete.

If you do not have McAfee version 8 installed:

If you are running version 7 or earlier you should replace it with version 8. Ensure you are not running a different antivirus program like Norton before installing McAfee.

To install version 8 you must be running Windows XP or Windows 2000. It will NOT work with Windows 98 or ME.

Use your web browser and go to: <ftp://134.129.130.131/mcafee/mcafee8p13.exe>

Save the file to your Desktop.

When the file is done downloading go to the Desktop and double click on mcafee8p13.exe this will start the install process.

Please click Run and Next until the installation is complete.

Please contact the ITSS Help Desk if you have questions or need assistance updating or installing the software.

Information Technology Systems and Services, 777-2222, ITSSHelp@mail.und.nodak.edu

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Work a flu vaccination into your schedule

Convenient, on-campus flu vaccination clinics will be held for students, faculty and staff.

* Tuesday, Nov. 14, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Student Health Promotion office, (Memorial Union: Both shots and flu mist available at this location only.), and 5 to 8 p.m., Wellness Center Assessment Rooms.

* Wednesday, Nov. 15, 251 Odegard Hall, 9 to 11:30 a.m.; LaVerendrye Room, EERC, 12:30 to 3 p.m.

* Friday, Nov. 17, Riverdale Room, Apartment Community Center, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Cost is \$20, to be paid by cash or check. Students may also bill to their UND account. No insurance will be filed. Call Student Health Services at 777-4500 for more information.

Who should get a flu shot? Everyone, especially those who are at high-risk for flu and those who live with or care for them.

Flu symptoms can include fatigue, fever, dry cough, sore throat, headache, chills and body aches typically lasting three to five days, with the cough and fatigue sometimes lasting two or more weeks.

Each year in the United States, on average, 5 to 20 percent of the population get the flu; more than 200,000 people are hospitalized from flu complications, and; about 36,000 people die from flu.

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Medical genetics offers tool for gathering family health history

A new tool to help families record their health history is now available through the Division of Medical Genetics, School of Medicine and Health Sciences. Family history is considered one of the most important elements in assessing risk factors for health problems such as heart disease, stroke, diabetes, cancer and certain psychiatric disorders.

"Families share more than genetic characteristics," said John Martsolf, professor of pediatrics and director of the Division of Medical Genetics at the UND medical school. "They also share environments, lifestyles and personal habits, all of which can be factors for disease. Knowing the risk of certain diseases can motivate individuals to change any unhealthy behaviors."

Family health histories should be provided to all health care providers to be retained as a permanent part of a patient's medical file, Martsolf said. "This information can help health care providers do a better job of assessing a patient's risk of disease and prescribing appropriate preventive measures or courses of treatment."

Gov. John Hoeven has declared November as Family History Month, and is encouraging North Dakotans to learn more about the diseases and causes of death affecting at least three generations of family members.

The family history form is a web-enabled program that helps users organize family health history information which can be printed out for the family's doctors. It also helps users save that information as a computer file and share it with other family members.

For more information or to obtain a paper version of the family history form, contact the Division of Medical Genetics at 777-4277, or go to a local library and request assistance in accessing this form at the web site:

<https://familyhistory.hhs.gov/> .

Family gatherings, such as holidays, offer a great opportunity to learn about your family's health history, Martsolf noted.

U.S. Surgeon General Richard Carmona has declared Thanksgiving Day as the annual National Family History Day. He encourages Americans to use their family gatherings as a time to collect important family health history information that can benefit all family members.

A survey, conducted in August by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, found that 96 percent of Americans believe that knowing a family history is important to their health. The survey also showed that only one-third of Americans has ever tried to gather and organize their families' health history.

-- Shelley Pohlman, Assistant to the Director, Public Affairs, spohlman@medicine.nodak.edu, 701-777-4305

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Employees may enroll in courses at low cost

For just \$10.95 per credit hour, benefited employees may enroll in University classes. You may take up to three academic courses each calendar year, and may be granted work release time for one academic class per school session after receiving approval from your supervisor for release time during working hours. You can continue your education, earn a degree, or improve your skills. Staff members may work toward a degree; faculty may take courses for credit. Both faculty and staff members may audit courses. New employees may also take a course while on probation.

You can choose from hundreds of courses, ranging from management and sciences to languages and music, from exercise and ceramics to first aid and financial management. Here's how to enroll:

1. Pick up admissions materials, registration materials and a tuition waiver form at the Office of Admissions, 205 Twamley Hall (phone 777-3821) or at the Graduate School, 414 Twamley Hall (777-2784).
2. Choose the course you'd like to take. Prerequisites or other factors may affect registration.
3. Fill out the forms and have your supervisor/dean sign the tuition waiver forms. Return them to Admissions (undergraduates) or the Graduate School. Return the completed waiver forms to Admissions. The deadline for filing the waiver is Friday, Jan. 5.

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Studio One features oral history, Vin Baker's return to NBA

History books are not the only way to discover the past. Major historical events are becoming known more than ever through story-telling or oral history. History professor Kim Porter will discuss the contributions oral history has made to the cultures and experiences of society on the next edition of Studio One.

Also on the show this week, hear how one basketball player overcame personal problems to play in the NBA once again. Former NBA all-star Vin Baker nearly had his career cut short because of weight issues and alcohol abuse. Watch how Baker's return to the game has made him a team leader.

Studio One is an award-winning news and information program produced at the University of North Dakota Television Center. The program airs live on UND Channel 3 on Thursdays at 5 p.m. Re-broadcasts can be seen at 7 a.m., noon, 7 p.m. and 11 p.m. daily and on Saturdays at 10 a.m. Prairie Public Television airs Studio One on Saturday at 6 a.m. The program can also be seen by viewers in Fargo, Bismarck/Mandan and Minot, N.D.; Minneapolis, Minn.; Denver, Colo.; and Winnipeg, Manitoba.

-- Meghan Flaagan, Director of Marketing, Television Center, meghan.flaagan@und.edu, 701-777-3818

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STF seeks proposals for repurposed computer equipment

The Student Technology Fee (STF) Committee awarded funds to a number of departments and other units in the last academic year. As part of the award process, each department and unit is asked how many computers can be repurposed and used by another department or unit.

As a result, the committee is requesting proposals for those computers that are now available for repurposing. Please indicate as part of your proposal which computers on the repurposing list will meet your needs. We will strive to accommodate your request. A list of available equipment can be found on the Call for Repurposed Computer Equipment web page at <http://www.und.edu/org/stf/callforredeployment.htm> The proposal form is found at: <http://www.und.edu/org/stf/forms.html>

The completed request can be submitted via e-mail (carolhjemstad@mail.und.edu) or by campus mail to Carol Hjelmstad in the CIO's office, Stop 9041.

The deadline for submitting proposals is Nov. 15. Proposals will be reviewed and computers distributed shortly after this review process.

-- Carol Hjelmstad, Administrative Assistant, ITSS, carolhjemstad@mail.und.edu, 777-3172

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Mini-grants available for summer courses, programs

Are you planning an event at UND next summer but lack funding? Do you plan to develop a new summer course but need financial resources? Consider applying for a mini-grant through the Summer Programs and Events Council (SPEC).

SPEC's start-up mini-grant program will fund deserving proposals for:

1. The expansion of existing 2007 credit or non-credit summer courses/programs.
2. Or the redesign of existing 2007 credit or non-credit summer courses/programs.
3. Or the development of new 2007 credit or non-credit summer courses/programs.

Through the mini-grant program, the council wants to create positive learning experiences for the citizens of the Red River Valley Region and beyond by extending the resources of the university. The funds will help cover the development, marketing and start-up costs for courses and programs held at UND during the summer months. Examples include camps for kids, academic classes that can be completed in the summer months, or any special event designed for the community. Quality, creativity and "out of the box" ideas are encouraged when developing new programs.

All interested UND faculty and staff are encouraged to submit proposals at www.summer.und.edu. The application deadline is 4:30 p.m., Friday, Nov. 17. Recipients will be announced Dec. 19.

For individuals interested in covering the basics of the application and RFP process, an informational meeting will be held Wednesday, Nov. 8, from 3 – 4:30 p.m., in the Medora Room, Memorial Union. Please reserve your seat by registering with U2 by: Phone 777-2128, Email U2@mail.und.nodak.edu, or Online www.conted.und.edu/U2/.

For more information, contact: Diane Hadden, director of summer sessions (credit activities), 777-6284, dianehadden@mail.und.edu or Kerry Kerber, associate dean, continuing education (non-credit activities), 777-4264, kerrykerber@mail.und.edu. For operational questions, contact the Summer Events Office at 777-0841.

-- Julie Bean, Summer Events Program Specialist, Division of Continuing Education, juliebean@mail.und.edu, 701-777-0441

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Mortar Board turkey basket drive begins

The 27th annual UND Mortar Board Turkey Drive is in full swing. Each Thanksgiving holiday season, Mortar Board raises money and collects donations to fill turkey baskets for families in need within the Greater Grand Forks area. Last year they provided over 600 baskets to families who would have otherwise gone without a traditional holiday feast. This year a goal has been set to hand out 700.

The annual project is made possible by generous donations through the community, and past support has been astonishing. Each basket costs approximately \$40 and includes a turkey, potatoes, stuffing, cranberries,

vegetables, pie crust and pie filling. Any donations would be greatly appreciated and would be of tremendous help. Checks are payable to: Mortar Board, Memorial Union Room 113, 2901 University Avenue Stop 8385, Grand Forks, ND 58202.

For more information, contact Alan Sumada at 701-610-1450 or at alan.sumada@und.edu. Most of us cannot imagine Thanksgiving dinner without all of the typical fixings. Together we can branch out to the community members in need to help give them a Thanksgiving to remember.

-- Jill Robertson, Member, Mortar Board, jillrobertson7@hotmail.com, 406-293-1509

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Volunteers sought to serve Thanksgiving dinner

The Office of International Programs provides information, assistance, and a home away from home for the international students here at UND. We are an essential component to giving these students a healthy, safe and an empowering experience for all students studying here, giving them the true American experience.

Annually, we serve the international students a Thanksgiving dinner; this year we plan to serve about 200 students. We are looking for volunteers to help create a very special Thanksgiving for our students. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Barbara Royce by Thursday, Nov. 9.

-- Barbara Royce, Programming Assistant, International Programs, barbararoyce@mail.und.nodak.edu, 701.777.2590

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Theatre Arts expands dance curriculum

The newly inaugurated dance curriculum offered by theatre arts is offering four courses spring term 2007. THEA 415: Jazz I (course #15411) and THEA 415: Tap I (course #15407) will be repeated and two new courses, THEA 415: Jazz II (course #4045) and THEA 415: Tap II (course #3284) will be offered this spring also. If classes are full at the time of registration, there is a waiting list that may be signed. For more information call Patricia at 777-4075 or e-mail patricia.downey@und.nodak.edu

-- Patricia Downey, Assistant Professor, Theatre Arts, patricia.downey@und.nodak.edu, 777-4075

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International Programs newsletter available online

The latest issue of the International Programs newsletter, "Building Bridges" is available online at <http://www.und.edu/dept/oip/documents/11-03-06.pdf>

Featured this month:

- International Education Week
- Thanksgiving Dinner for International Students
- World Poetry Celebration
- Study Abroad Pre-Departure Orientations
- UND Faculty-Directed Programs
- International Student Statistics
- Advising Hints for International Students
- Study Abroad National Statistics.

-- Ray Lagasse, Director, International Programs, raymondlagasse@mail.und.edu, 701.777.2938

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Operation Campus Friends needs your help!

Operation Campus Friends is a joint venture started by Adele Kupchella and Student Government. Each year, Operation Campus Friends works with campus leaders and student organizations to send hundreds of items to

UND students who are deployed for military service. Campus Friends hopes that this small gesture reminds those away from home that we miss them and look forward to their safe return.

We are asking members of the campus community to donate items for the care packages that are sent to the soldiers. Items sought include sunscreen, chapstick, individual sized Crystal Light packets or other similar drink mixes, beef jerky, sunflower seeds, and hard candies. The committee hopes that with help from all areas of campus we can show our soldiers that even though they are not on our campus, they are not forgotten.

Donations can be brought to the Student Government office, main floor, Memorial Union, between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. The committee would like all donations by Wednesday, Nov. 22, so that holiday packages may reach the soldiers in time.

If you have any questions please call the Student Government office at 777-4377.

-- Haylee Cripe, Governmental Affairs Commissioner, Student Government, stugovgovaffairs@mail.und.edu, 701-777-4377

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Winter coats available at Adult Re-Entry Center

Winter is fast upon us, and we will soon be checking the status of our winter coats. To assist those on tight budgets, the nontraditional student group A.L.I.F.E. has collected some winter clothing (coats, hats, mittens, etc.) to make available to any UND student (and their family) that needs them.

For details contact the Adult Re-Entry Center at 777-3228, or e-mail: deandienslake@mail.und.nodak.edu

-- Dean Dienslake, Coordinator Adult Re-Entry, Adult Re-Entry, deandienslake@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777.3228

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North Dakota Museum of Art offers vegetarian specials

The North Dakota Museum of Art vegetarian specials are:

- * Nov. 7 – Entrée: Roasted Corn and Tomato Salad or Vegetable Burger, Soup: Carrot and Orange
- * Nov. 8 – Entrée: Mediterranean Potato Salad or Eggplant Wrap, Soup: Roasted Vegetable
- * Nov. 9 – Entrée: Lentil and Walnut Salad or Mushroom Bruschetta, Soup: Potato and Roasted Garlic
- * Nov. 10 – CLOSED

The Museum Café and Coffee Shop, located in the lower level of the Museum, serves a full luncheon menu from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Coffee is available from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Take-out is available, UND billing is accepted, and the conference room is available for luncheons. We also cater weekend and evening events, 777-4195.

Visit the Museum Cafe online at <http://www.ndmoa.com/cafe.html>

-- Connie Hulst, Office Manager, North Dakota Museum of Art, chulst@ndmoa.com, 777-4195

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Internal job openings listed

The following position vacancies are available only to regular UND staff employees who have successfully completed their six-month probation period, earn annual and sick leave, receive BC/BS health insurance and TIAA-CREF or ND PERS retirement benefits. Current UND faculty, please contact Human Resources for eligibility.

TO APPLY: Please complete UND Application/Control Cardform. Send letter of application and resume, referencing position name and number, to: Human Resources, University of North Dakota, Twamley Hall, Room 313, 264 Centennial Drive Stop 8010, Grand Forks, ND 58202-8010. Applications MUST be received by the deadline date.

EXECUTIVE/PROFESSIONAL/ADMINISTRATIVE/COACHES:

POSITION: Instructional Design and Support Specialist, Aerospace, #07-135

DEADLINE: (I) 11/14/2006

SALARY: \$28,000 - \$32,000

POSITION: Development Officer (20 hrs/week, benefitted), School of Engineering and Mines, #07-133

DEADLINE: (I) 11/07/2006

SALARY: \$19.23 - \$24.04 /hr

POSITION: Associate Vice President for Outreach Services & Dean of Outreach Programs, #07-091

DEADLINE: Internal applicants will be considered with the external. Open Until Filled (Review of applications will begin November 15, 2006.)

SALARY: Commensurate with experience

TECHNICAL/PARAPROFESSIONAL:

POSITION: Clinic Nurse, Center for Family Medicine, Minot, #07-131

DEADLINE: (I) 11/07/2006

SALARY: \$26,000 - \$32,000

OFFICE SUPPORT:

POSITION: Telephone Receptionist (50% Benefitted, M-F 12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.) Student Financial Aid, #07-134

DEADLINE: 11/07/2006

SALARY: \$9.60 - \$ 10.00

CRAFTS/TRADES/SERVICE: No current openings.

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IN THE NEWS

Medical school dean slated to be 'Dean of Deans'

H. David Wilson, dean of the School of Medicine and Health Sciences, was elected “chair-elect” of the Council of Deans at the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) annual meeting Oct. 30.

The first North Dakota dean to hold such a high office in the AAMC, Wilson will assume duties as chair of the Council of Deans next fall.

The AAMC Council of Deans represents the deans from all 125 accredited U.S. and 17 accredited Canadian medical schools. The group identifies issues affecting academic medicine and develops strategies to achieve the various missions of medical schools.

"The AAMC Council of Deans is instrumental in guiding the association's efforts toward excellence in medical education, research and patient care," said Darrell Kirch, AAMC president. "He is a wise and experienced leader, and we at the AAMC, as well as his colleagues across the country, look forward to David Wilson's leadership on the Executive Council next year."

"This is a terrific honor for Dean Wilson and for the University of North Dakota," said President Charles Kupchella. "To be named 'Dean of Deans' by the deans is clearly no small matter. It surely shows that he is highly respected as a leading figure in American medical education. We're lucky to have him."

This is not Wilson's first service in national medical associations. He was elected to the AAMC Executive Council in 2004 and has served as chair of the AAMC Section on Community-Based Deans since 2002.

From 2001-2004 Wilson was an elected member of the American Medical Association's Council on Medical Education and served as a member of the Liaison Committee on Medical Education, the 17-member committee that is authorized by the U.S. Department of Education to accredit all U.S. and Canadian medical schools.

Wilson grew up in Johnston City, Ill. He graduated from Wabash College in Crawfordsville, Ind. before going on to medical school at St. Louis University School of Medicine. He spent 22 years at the University of Kentucky College of Medicine in Lexington and was serving as full professor and associate dean for academic affairs when he left to join the UND in 1995.

The AAMC is a nonprofit association representing all 125 accredited U.S. and 17 accredited Canadian medical schools; nearly 400 major teaching hospitals and health systems, including 68 Department of Veterans Affairs medical centers; and 96 academic and scientific societies. Through these institutions and organizations, the AAMC represents 109,000 faculty members, 67,000 medical students, and 104,000 resident physicians.

-- Amanda Scurry, public information specialist, UND SMHS, ascurry@medicine.nodak.edu, 701-777-0871

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College of Nursing receives \$15,000 grant from Dakota Medical Foundation

The College of Nursing has received a \$15,000 matching grant from Dakota Medical Foundation to support scholarships for nursing students. Dakota Medical Foundation will provide a direct match, up to \$15,000, for all scholarship dollars donated by alumni and friends.

"Dakota Medical Foundation is a true friend to nursing on both the UND campus and across the region," said Chandice Covington, dean of nursing. "Their leaders are clearly aware of the effect nurses have on the community. Producing one nurse will, over a lifetime, directly affect nearly 1,000 people through the care they provide. Supporting nursing students really is a lasting scholarship."

Dakota Medical Foundation, based in Fargo, N.D., focuses its efforts on improving access to medical and dental care. Since its inception in 1995, the foundation has invested over \$26.5 million in more than 270 non-profit organizations to help them measurably improve health and access to healthcare. For more information, see www.dakmed.org.

Rising tuition and fees make funding a college degree difficult; students often take part-time jobs to finance college, all the while losing valuable study time. If you would like to support this scholarship opportunity, please contact Becky Cournia, College of Nursing, 777-4526.

-- Becky Cournia, Alumni & Development Coordinator, College of Nursing, beckycournia@mail.und.edu, 701-777-4526

IN REMEMBRANCE

Remembering Solveig "Sally" Amundson

Solveig "Sally" Amundson, food services, died Nov. 1 at Valley 4000 Square, Grand Forks. She was 83.

Solveig Hildegard Gustafson was born Aug. 20, 1923 in Holmes, N.D., to Theodore and Mabel (Gunderson) Gustafson. She grew up and attended schools in the Holmes and Forest River, N.D., area, and graduated from Grand Forks Central High School.

In 1945 she married Ardell Heen in Grand Forks. She and her sons moved to California and she worked for Boeing Aircraft, returning to Grand Forks in 1959. She married Roy Amundson in Grand Forks on June 2, 1960. She worked for Scott's Music, various other businesses and the UND food services department. Following her retirement from UND she worked part-time as a demonstration associate for several different stores in the Grand Forks area until she experienced ill health in January 2006.

She was a member of University Lutheran Church and a circle there. She loved organizing family reunions, spending time with her family and most especially her grandchildren. She enjoyed several trips to California given to her by her children to visit her sisters and relatives there, a cruise in 1997 with family, a long midwest and east coast trip with family and most especially playing Gustafson Rummy with family.

Surviving family members include her husband, Roy, children; Richard (Gilda) Heen, Colorado Springs, Colo.; Earl (Helen) Heen, Grand Forks; and Rena DeSautel, Grand Forks; nine grandchildren, one great granddaughter; one brother and two sisters.

She was preceded in death by her parents, son Donn Heen; grandson Earl Robert Heen, seven brothers and two sisters.

Internment was at Memorial Park South Cemetery, Grand Forks.

Remembering Harrison Keel

Harrison S. Keel, retired building services technician as housing lead in the family apartment area, died Nov. 4 at his home in Grand Forks. He was 54.

Keel, the son of John Oliver and Meta Jo (Blake) Keel, was born June 17, 1952, in Wilmington, N.C. He lived in many places growing up but called Wilmington home. He graduated from Dougherty County High School at Albany, Ga., in 1970. Harrison joined the U.S. Air Force in 1973 and moved in Grand Forks. In 1975 he moved to Turkey, and turned to Grand Forks in 1976.

He married Cathy McGiffin on Feb. 12, 1980 in Crookston, Minn., and retired from the Air Force in 1993.

He graduated from UND in 1997, with a bachelor's degree in arts and communication, and began working at the University in 2003, where he received the meritorious service award in May 2006.

He is survived by his wife, children, Sean Collins, RAF Molesworth, UK; Tiffany (Jonathan) Straub, Valdosta, Ga.; Tracy (Shane) Spivey, Lake Park, Ga.; and Marci (Clayton) Thomas, Great Falls, Mont.; five grandchildren; brother and niece.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and cousin Swain.
Interment was in Memorial Park Cemetery, Grand Forks.

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